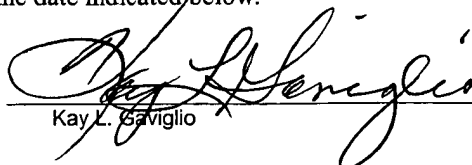


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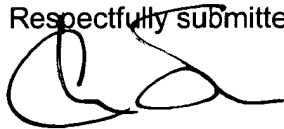
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In response to the Office Action dated September 23, 2003, please substitute the enclosed Figure 1A-1 – Figure 3 (12) sheets of formal drawings for the informal drawings previously filed with respect to the above-identified patent application. Should the enclosed drawings require changes, it is respectfully requested that the Patent and Trademark Office notify the undersigned attorney of same.

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